

## City of Riverside Standards for Kennels and Catteries

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- Introduction: These Standards for Kennels and Catteries are adopted pursuant to section 8.18.020.C of the Riverside Municipal Code setting out conditions for the approval of kennel and cattery permits.
- II. Definitions: The definitions used in these standards shall be the same as those in Title 8 of the Riverside Municipal Code.
- III. Standards for all Kennels and Catteries
  - A. All kennels and catteries shall comply with all state, county and local statutes, ordinance, rules and regulations applicable thereto.
  - B. All dogs must be licensed with the City of the Riverside.
  - C. Medical and vaccination records for each animal must be kept on site and presented when asked by Animal Control Officers.
  - D. If housing facilities for animals must be constructed, all relevant Planning and/or Building and Safety requirements must be met. In addition, the facilities must be equipped and maintained so as to continuously provide a healthful, safe and sanitary environment for the animals which are kept therein. Interior walls of housing areas shall be constructed of an impervious material that can be washed and sanitized.
  - E. Adequate shelter from the elements and sufficient exercise space will be provided for all of the animals.
  - F. Water for drinking shall be available to the animals at all times.
  - G. A suitable and sufficient supply of appropriate food for the animals shall be maintained on hand and provided at appropriate intervals. Animal food shall be stored under sanitary conditions and food and water receptacles shall be in a closed container and made of a material which can easily cleaned and disinfected. If outside, food shall be stored in airtight containers.
  - H. Kennel and cattery facilities shall be adequately ventilated at all times to provide for the health and comfort of the animals. Fresh air shall be provided by means of windows, doors, vents, or air conditioning and kennels and catteries shall be so ventilated as to minimize drafts, odors, and condensation of moisture. Auxiliary ventilation such as fans or air conditioning or similar cooling devices shall be provided when deemed necessary by Animal Control.

- 1. Heating shall be provided when deemed necessary by Animal Control.
- J. Animal waste should be able to be washed down throughout the day, as needed, to prevent the buildup of noxious odors, insects, and pests. All runoff which contains animal waste must be maintained within the confines of the premises. All areas wherein water is utilized as a method for the cleaning of animal shall be connected to an appropriate disposal system. No animal waste shall be permitted to run in the storm drains.
- K. The overall kennel and cattery premises shall be kept free of trash, waste and debris of any kind.
- L. Dogs shall not be housed or maintained (crate, kennel, run, etc.) in any area which is less than twenty (20) feet from any property line, except where an outbuilding is located on the kennel premises within 20 feet from any property line, any number of dogs may be taken into said outbuilding for temporary periods. As used in this subsection, the term "outbuilding" shall also include a barn or garage. Animals may reside in an outbuilding as long as they do not become a nuisance.
- M. The kennel shall be enclosed by a perimeter fence that is secure and designed for the purpose of containment; such fencing shall be of a sufficient height and material to contain the animal, and shall comply with all building laws, ordinances, codes and regulations.
- N. A live-in caretaker is required at all times.

IV. These Standards for Kennels and Catteries are adopted this 10 day of December, 2018.

By:

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